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SUBJ: PRESIDENT JAWARA'S STATEMENT ON HUMAN RIGHTS AT OAU

1. GAMBIA NEWS BULLETIN, JULY 12, HAS JUST PRINTED PRESIDENT  
JAWARA'S SPEECH DELIVERED AT OAU SUMMIT IN LIBREVILLE. PORTION  
DEVOTED TO HUMAN RIGHTS IS QUOTED BELOW:

2. QUOTE

THE FREEDOM GAINED FROM COLONIAL STATUS SHOULD NOT, HOWEVER,  
BE UNREAL TO OUR PEOPLES. AFTER CENTURIES OF A DELIBERATE  
POLICY OF DEHUMANISATION AND SUBJUGATION, THE MINIMUM OUR  
PEOPLES EXPECT AND DESE  
VE IS NOT ONLY ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL  
ADVANCEMENT, BUT ALSO THE FULL ENJOYMENT OF THE BASIC HUMAN  
RIGHTS GUARANTEED TO ALL MANKIND IN THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION  
OF HUMAN RIGHTS TO WHICH OUR ORGANISATION FULLY SUBSCRIBED  
IN THE SOLEMN DECLARATION ON GENERAL POLICY MADE AT ADDIS  
ABABA ON 24TH MAY, 1973, ON THE OCCASION OF THE TENTH  
ANNIVERSARY OF THE ORGANISATION OF AFRICAN UNITY. THEY MUST,  
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THEREFORE, BE GUARANTEED THE HUMAN RIGHTS DENIED TO THEM BY THE  
IMPERIALISTS AND COLONIALISTS BECAUSE IF WE DO NOT--WE WHO HOLD  
POWER ONLY ON TRUST FOR THE PEOPLE - WE WILL BE MORE GUILTY  
THAN THE FOREIGN OPPRESSOR. THE INDIVISIBILITY OF HUMAN  
RIGHTS THEREFORE IMPOSES UPON US THE MORAL DUTY NOT TO  
EMULATE OUR FORMER OPPRESSORS AND REDUCE OUR OWN PEOPLE TO A  
STATE OF FEAR, INSECURITY AND DEBASEMENT. IF WE HAVE THE

COURAGE TO CONDEMN THE INSTITUTIONALISED VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN  
RIGHTS IN SOUTH AFRICA, LET US HAVE THE SAME COURAGE AT  
LEAST TO TALK ABOUT IT AMONGST OURSELVES IN THE SOLE INTEREST  
OF OUR MASSES. THE 250 MILLION PEOPLE WE HERE REPRESENT WILL  
THEN SEE THAT WE DO CARE. UNQUOTE  
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